

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Gold(III) chloride trihydrate

Product Number : 520918

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards

Skin sensitizer, Corrosive

GHS Classification

Skin corrosion (Category 1B)

Serious eye damage (Category 1)

Skin sensitization (Category 1)

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H314

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statement(s)

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P310

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 3

Flammability: 0

Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 3

Fire: 0

Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation	May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
Skin	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.
Eyes	Causes eye burns.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Tetrachloroauric(III) acid
Hydrogen tetrachloroaurate(III)

Formula : $\text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Molecular Weight : 393.83 g/mol

Component		Concentration
Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate		
CAS-No.	16961-25-4	-
EC-No.	240-948-4	

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Decomposes on heating to chlorine gas, hydrogen chloride and metallic gold

Further information

The product itself does not burn.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Moisture sensitive. Light sensitive.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Immersion protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested:Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested:Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

Eye protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin and body protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Form	Crystals with lumps
Colour	no data available

Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	no data available
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Autoignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	no data available
Density	no data available
Water solubility	no data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	no data available
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability

Light. Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture.

Materials to avoid

Reducing agents, Metals

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Decomposes on heating to chlorine gas, hydrogen chloride and metallic gold

Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50

no data available

Inhalation LC50

no data available

Dermal LD50

no data available

Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

May cause allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Teratogenicity

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

Aspiration hazard

no data available

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Synergistic effects

no data available

Additional Information

RTECS: MD5428000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Toxicity**

no data available

Persistence and degradability

no data available

Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

Mobility in soil

no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

Other adverse effects

no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**DOT (US)**

UN number: 3260 Class: 8

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

UN number: 3260 Class: 8

Packing group: II

EMS-No: F-A, S-B

Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN number: 3260 Class: 8

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**OSHA Hazards**

Skin sensitiser, Corrosive

SARA 302 Components

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

No Components Listed

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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New Jersey Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION**Further information**

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